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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

In Re; )  
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LETTERS ROGATORY FOR THE ATTORNEY )  
GENERAL, REPUBLIC OF ITALY, IN THE )  
APPELLATE COURT OF MILAN, ITALY. )

**ANSWERS TO WRITTEN INTERROGATORIES  
PROPOUNDED TO WITNESS, ALLEN DULLES.**

1. My name is Allen Welsh Dulles. My address is 3825 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

2. Yes

3. During World War II, from about November 8, 1942 to about July 1, 1945, I was Special Assistant to the United States Minister to Switzerland.

4. Yes

5. General Wolff was, I understand, Commander of the Nazi SS and police forces in Northern Italy.

6. Yes

7. Discussions relating to the surrender took place during a period from the end of February 1945 to the latter part of April 1945.

8. Yes

9. Yes

10. Several months

11. Through intermediaries, General Wolff was pressing for a personal interview with me to discuss the German surrender in North Italy. As a condition of granting this request, and as evidence that he, Wolff, meant business, I sent word through General Wolff's emissaries that I desired the release to me in Switzerland of Ferruccio Parri and another brave Italian patriot held a prisoner by the Germans.

12. Yes

13. No. At no time during the conversations with Wolff or through the subsequent study of documents relating to the surrender negotiations, did I receive any indication whatsoever that Parri had given any information to his captors regarding Italian partisan forces or otherwise, or that his release was in any respect a "belated" or any type of reward for such alleged action.

14. No

15. The considerations underlying my request for the release of Ferruccio Parri are given in my answer to question 11. At the time of the release General Wolff requested nothing as a condition of his release except the personal interview which I had agreed, in principle to give, if Parri was released.

16. No answer is requested.

17. No

18. No

19. Upon the release of Ferruccio Parri in Switzerland I took all possible measures to induce him not to return to North Italy pending the liberation of the country as I felt that his earlier return and possible attendant publicity or recapture might adversely affect the pending and delicate German surrender negotiations. The fact of Parri's release was initially kept a close secret and in North Italy was known only to a few high Nazi officials.

20. No

21. Shortly after the release of Parri, General Wolff importuned me to secure the release by the Allied forces of one or two German or Italian prisoners. The reason given me for the request was that General Wolff was

in trouble with Himmler and the German High Command for what appeared to be the gratuitous release of Parri. If one or two German or Italian prisoners were to be released by the Allies, General Wolff's theory was that he could then explain Parri's release as a normal exchange of prisoners.

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